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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10.